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ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR
TIME EXTENSION

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Commission's Generic
Investigation of US WEST Communications,
Inc.'s Cost of Providing Interconnection and
Unbundled Network Elements

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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On May 3, 1999, the Commission issued its ORDER RESOLVING COST METHODOLOGY, REQUIRING COMPLIANCE FILING, AND INITIATING DEAVERAGING PROCEEDING in the above-captioned matter. Order Paragraph No.2 of that Order stated:

The parties shall make a compliance filing within 30 days of the effective date of this Order sufficient to permit a determination that the recommendations in the Report of the Administrative Law Judge were implemented, and setting forth the resulting rates.

On May 26, 1999, US WEST Communications, Inc. (US WEST), one of the parties to the proceedings, filed a request to extend the compliance filing deadline to June 18, 1999. US WEST explained that it was still working with the Department of Public Service (the Department) and other parties to the proceeding to accumulate and prepare the necessary data to complete the filing. US WEST stated that it had discussed the need for a filing extension with AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc., MCI Telecommunications Corporation and MCI WorldCom, and the Department; these parties had no objection to the time extension.

On June 1, 1999, US WEST's request for a time extension came before the Commission for consideration.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

US WEST has asked for a reasonable delay while it works with other parties to gather the data necessary for a meaningful compliance filing. The slight delay in this proceeding is outweighed by the benefits of the complete record being gathered.

The Commission will grant US WEST its requested time extension. The parties shall submit the compliance filing referenced in the May 3, 1999 Order on or before June 18, 1999.

ORDER

1. The Commission grants a time extension for the compliance filing required of parties in the Commission's May 3, 1999 Order in this proceeding. Parties shall now submit the required compliance filing on or before June 18, 1999.
2. This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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Executive Secretary

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